

Please reply to the GENETICS BUILDING

June 24, 1957

Dear Dr. Fennar:

Thank you for yours of the 19th, which arrived today together with a note from Dr. Rountree confirming the drive from Sydney to Canberra on Sat. August 17. This seems a very happy arrangement.

The program you have outlined for us seems quite satisfactory.

As to the Symposium, did you know that Dr. Frankel had invited me to give an address on Tuesday evening to the Genetics Society. I may be at a loss to say very much more on Monday. Why not put me down for about 20 minutes for the introduction Monday morning & I will also do as you ask for Monday night. I will do my best to have the 1000-word abstract for you, but am not sure I can work it in before I leave here. Perhaps I can do that en route: it won't be my first ms. started aloft, but I'll try to avoid too flighty a style.

Our itinerary deviates somewhat from your understanding, insofar as we're due in Brisbane and Adelaide before Melbourne. (I can see we'll become well acquainted with Kingsford-Smith airport). The trip you suggested sounds very appealing, and we shall try to work that in somehow. However, we're in communication now with Halliday at Brisbane about another journey we have our hearts set on, to the Great Barrier Reef area. If that won't work out, may I contact you again about the Snowy Mountains plan; otherwise, we might think about that for a later weekend.

Till then,

Sincerely,

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Professor and Chairman
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CC: Dr. Rountree